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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

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For: **TEAR RESISTANT ELASTIC LAMINATE AND METHOD OF FORMING**

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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

The following is a response to the Election/Restriction mailed October 19, 2001 in which a response within the statutory minimum of one month will be considered timely. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor. Applicant believes that no extension term is required. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit our Deposit Account No. 10-0447 for any fee deficiency and/or fee overpayment in connection with this response.

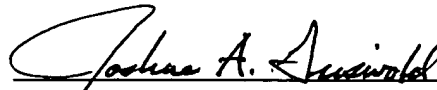
In the Election/Restriction, the Examiner asserts that the application is drawn to two inventions: Claims 1-17, drawn to a tear-resistant laminate, and claims 18-24, drawn to a method of making a tear-resistant laminate.

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Applicant elects claims 1-17, drawn to a tear-resistant laminate, for further prosecution in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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